TRUTH AND FICTION.

How Cortain Noveliste Have Mixed the Two in Their Portraits.

The method of certain novelists seems to be to take a single facet of the character of some one they know, group around it other traits collected elsewhere and then substantiate and personify the whole, says the Manchester Guardian. They give it legs to stand on and a mouth to talk with. They put a hat on its head and a cane in its hand, and then-who shall say that Harold Skimpole is Leigh Hunt? Others again transfer the character bodily. That was James Payn's practice. In one of those delightful volumes in which he admits us into his library workshop he tells us that he found most of his characters among his acquaintances. The person represented, he assures us, never recognizes his own portrait. But then his friends do, so sundry expedients to put people off the scent have to be adopted. If the original is tall he is pictured as short; if dark, as fair. Indeed Payn recommends the keeping of a list of dramatis personae, with the real names placed opposite the fictitious ones, to keep the novelist in mind 10 "March of the Flower Girls"as he works.

a public person, a writer of fiction will transfer him to his page without much disguise and much to the gratification of the reader. Who is not charmed to meet, in Meredith, Lesie Stephen in the "Egotist," in the "Tragic Comedians" and Amazing Marriage?" Alphonse less genial. "It was a constant and growing tendency," says Saintsbury, speaking in a recent book of Daudet, "to drag in royal persons and ous aspects. Morny himself and of the imperial entourage appeared 'Les Rois en Exil' were as obviously divers ill starred and not always king and queen of Naples downward. Numa Roumestan was Gambetta almost without concealment The sordid hero and heroine of 'L'Immortel' were fully identified with an academic personage of a former generation and his wife."

Terse and Truthful.

A despairing debt collector decided the other day to corner his quarry at the bar of a prominent hotel in the presence of a number of his friends, thinking that by this ruse he would so embarrass his man that he would either get his money in rage or a promise in mortification. Advancing gently, he tapped the debtor on the shoulder and said:

"Pardon me, Mr. ---. When are you going to pay that small amount you owe my firm?" The debtor spun around on his

heel and glared.

"I'm no prophet!" he roared. The debt collector retired amid roars of laughter. - New York Times,

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nothing could ever make me cease | quently affords exciting sport to to love him." "I'm Miss M. I don't know that you recall me," said a coquettish elderly spinster, approaching him in suppose we are all doomed to these the postoffice the day after his ar- disenchanting experiences. We have

rival. The ready heart warmer turned, with his most beaming smile, and god we had supposed him to be."

wrung her hand. "Recall you!" he echoed reproach- quainted with him that destroyed fully. "As if one could help it, Miss my ideal. I am sure that I could M. Why, you are one of the land- still think him splendid if I had marks of the town!"-Washington never seen him in riding breeches." Star.

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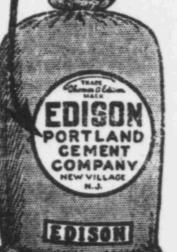
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